

1 AN ACT concerning safety.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Environmental Protection Act is amended by
5 adding Section 9.16 as follows:

6 (415 ILCS 5/9.16 new)

7 Sec. 9.16. Notice for facilities emitting ethylene oxide.

8 (a) Any facility that self-reports an ethylene oxide leak
9 or is found to be in violation concerning an ethylene oxide
10 leak shall issue a notice immediately upon discovery of the
11 leak to all affected property owners and units of local
12 government within 2,500 feet of the leak site. The notice
13 system shall be funded by the facility. The notice shall, at a
14 minimum, contain the following information:

15 (1) the name and address of the site or facility where
16 the leak occurred or is suspected to have occurred;

17 (2) the identification and approximate amount of the
18 contaminant leaked or suspected to have been leaked;

19 (3) information as to whether the contaminant was
20 leaked or suspected to have been leaked into the air, land,
21 or water;

22 (4) a brief description of the potential adverse health
23 effects posed by the contaminant;

1 (5) the name, business address, and phone number of
2 persons at the Agency from whom additional information
3 about the leak or suspected leak can be obtained;

4 (6) the name, business address, and phone number of
5 persons at the Department of Public Health from whom
6 additional information about the health effects of the leak
7 or suspected leak can be obtained;

8 (7) the date, time of occurrence, and duration of the
9 leak; and

10 (8) if known, the wind direction during the leak.

11 (b) The provisions of this Section apply only to an owner
12 or operator of a sterilization source using one ton or more of
13 ethylene oxide in a rolling 12-month period of sterilization or
14 fumigation operations. This Section does not apply to: beehive
15 fumigators; research or laboratory facilities, as defined in
16 Section 112(c) (7) of Title III of the federal Clean Air Act; or
17 sources such as hospitals, doctors' offices, clinics, or other
18 facilities for which the primary purpose is to provide medical
19 services to humans or animals.